



Catholic Missions In Canada

Bishop Ken Nowakowski
Eparchy of New Westminster,
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Dear Bishop Ken Nowakowski:

Our organization's co-founders, Father Alfred Burke and Archbishop Fergus McEvay, were instrumental in raising awareness of the needs of Ukrainian Catholics among Canada's Latin Rite Catholic community. From their efforts came the means of providing financial, corporal and spiritual assistance to Ukrainian Catholics beginning their lives in this new land. With your support, that valued and special partnership which began with our founding in 1908, continues today.

I began an initiative to involve all of our stakeholder bishops in assisting the funding of these grants, as many dioceses in Canada already do. Being a niche charity reserved to the Catholic enclave is a great challenge. As donors age, they are not being replaced by younger Catholics at the same rate, while the cost of projects continually increases. Thus, I am appreciative of your effort and the goodness of your flock to cooperate in this venture. Together, we form a partnership.

Therefore, thank you to all in the Eparchy of New Westminster who generously donated to Catholic Missions In Canada in your recent Collection. A total of \$1,865 was collected. This is a great help in our mission to help the Catholic faith continue across the country in what are, sometimes, difficult conditions. I remember well visiting you and touring some of your parishes. I valued our discussions about the needs of your eparchy.

In 2018, CMIC is allocating over \$4,000,000, not to mention Ad Hoc grants which may be needed as the year progresses. Catholic Missions In Canada is providing over \$200,000 for ministries and religious education programs for children, teens and adults in the Eparchies of New Westminster and Saskatoon.

Thank you again to all in the Eparchy of New Westminster for helping us support ministries of the Ukrainian Church here in Canada. Be assured of our prayers and best wishes to all in the Eparchy of New Westminster.

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